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CHROMOSOMAL ABNORMALITIES
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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated January 5, 1998, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 136 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly amend claims 139, 144, 145 and 150 as follows:

(Amended) The method according to claim 133, wherein the BCR hybridization complex and the ABL hybridization complex are [no more] less than 1 micron

from each other.

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